

MEMORANDUM

TO: Title III Director,

LAS Links Administrator

FROM: Michele Walker, Director

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DATE: November 2008

RE: Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives (AMAO) determinations

Title III, section 3122, requires each State to develop annual measurable achievement objectives (AMAOs) for LEP students served under Title III that relate to such children's development and attainment of English proficiency while meeting challenging State academic content and student academic achievement standards as required by Title I, section 1111(b)(1).

Title III AMAOs shall include:

- annual increases in the # and % of LEP students making progress in learning English;
- annual increases in the # and % of LEP students attaining English proficiency; and
- making adequate yearly progress (AYP) for LEP students under Title I

AMAO targets for AMAO I: Making Progress and AMAO II: Attainment have been established based on review of longitudinal LAS Links data. AMAO III: AYP is based on school corporations' LEP sub-group performance on the fall 2007 ISTEP+ assessment. Based on these new targets, AMAO determinations have been calculated for all Title III school corporations and consortia for the 2007-08 school year. The attached AMAO report provides a summary of the school corporation's performance on the AMAO targets.

Title III, section 3302(b), requires Title III recipients to notify the parents of students participating in the language education instructional program, in an understandable format, in the event that AMAOs were not met during any school year. The school corporation must send this notification to parents not later than 30 days after receipt of the attached report. A sample AMAO parent letter and the AMAO Parent Resource Guide are posted at: http://www.doe.state.in.us/lmmp/titleIII.html.

If you have any questions about Title III AMAO accountability requirements, please contact Lauren Harvey at (317) 232-0555 or (800) 382-9962. Thank you.